P30030,A04

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

: Noriyuki TAJIMA et al.

Group Art Unit: 2855

Appl. No.

: 10/596,193

Examiner:

Filed

: June 2, 2006

Confirmation No.: 3321

For

: HEATING DEVICE

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.112

Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria. VA 22314

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of May 2, 2008, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on August 4, 2008 (August 2, 2008, being a Saturday), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of each of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper:

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper: